

CLAIM AMENDMENTS REWRITTEN IN CLEAN FORM

Please amend claims 3, 7, and 8 as follows.

3. (Twice Amended) A method for producing an enzyme preparation containing high cellobiase activity, said method comprising:

(a) inoculating a mycelial culture of a strain of *Termitomyces clypeatus* into sterilized medium containing 0.05 to 5% w/v of a glycosylation inhibitor at pH between 3 to 8;

(b) incubating at temperatures between 20-37°C under shaking in aerobic conditions; and

(c) separating the culture medium from the mycelia to produce the enzyme preparation containing high cellobiase activity.

7. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the assimilable carbon sources used are carbohydrates, agrowastes, TCA cycle acids, amino acids, or D-glucosamine wherein the carbohydrates are selected from the group consisting of cellobiose, mannose, fructose, xylose, arabinose, starch, dextrin, cellulose, cotton, and xylan; wherein the agrowastes are selected from the group consisting of baggasse powder, rice-straw powder, wheat bran, corn cob powder, and corn powder; wherein the TCA cycle acids are selected from the group consisting of succinate, fumarate, and maleate; and wherein the amino acids are selected from the group consisting of aspartate, glutamate, serine, histidine, and alanine.

8. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 3 wherein the glycosylation inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of tunicamycin, deoxynojirimycin, 2-deoxy-D-glucose and D-glucono-lactone.

Remarks

Reconsideration of the present Application in view of this Amendment is respectfully requested. This paper amends claims 3, 7 and 8 of the Application. Claims 3 and 6-12 remain pending in the case. No claims have been added or cancelled.

A request for a two month extension of time and a Request for Continued